

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

JUL 31 2003

Applicant: Paul Robert Heide )  
Serial No.: 10/616,828 ) Group Art Unit: Unknown  
Filed: 07/10/2003 ) Examiner: Unknown  
For: Drivetrain For Utility Vehicle )

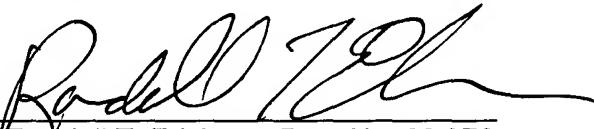
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL

**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313**

Sir:

Attached Form PTO/SB/08A lists references which may be relevant to the examination of the above-identified application. Copies of the references are enclosed. Entry into the record is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

By:   
Randall T. Erickson, Reg. No. 33,872

Polit & Erickson, LLC  
3333 Warrenville Road, Suite 520  
Lisle, IL 60532  
(630) 505-1460  
Attorney Docket No.: 6270P0291US

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313 on July 28, 2003.

By:   
Randall T. Erickson

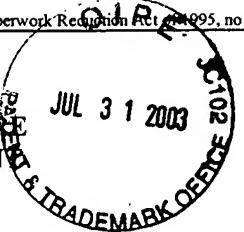
<sup>1</sup> Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box +

Comparable to Form PTO/SB/08A (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO				Application Number	10/616,828		
<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</b> <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Filing Date	07/10/2003		
				First Named Inventor	Heide, Paul Robert		
				Group Art Unit	Unknown		
				Examiner Name	Unknown		
		Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket No.	6270P0291US

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY
		Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)		
		5,597,060		Huddleston et al.	01-28-1997
		5,647,810		Huddleston	07/15/1997
		5,967,286		Hokanson et al.	10/19/1999

OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.			T <sup>2</sup>
		Comet Industries Catalog (1 page)			
		John Deere Manual, showing prior art vehicle components, pages 7-5, 7-7, and 7-9, 12/13/2000 (3 pages)			
		Data for (9) Prior Art Vehicles (2 pages)			
		TOURALL brochure, Four-Passenger Personnel Carrier (4 pages)			
		E-Z-Go Textron brochure, 8/1995, (1 page)			
Examiner Signature				Date Considered	

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.